Duke Hospital Auxiliary Board of Directors

2019-20 DIRECTORY



Our Mission:

Duke Hospital Auxiliary's primary goal is to support hospital programs through volunteer hours and financial support with particular emphasis on patient and family needs that raises the level of patient care and comfort. Duke Hospital Auxiliary is a vital part of the Duke University Health System Team.



Joyce Avery: Assistant Secretary

- Started volunteering with Auxiliary in 2008
- Volunteers with Kidz Need Hugz and Gift Shop
- Frequent Traveler.... Volunteers each year in Belize as a health nurse
- Mother of 3
- Tutored in public school system
- Served on Senior City Council, DURO/DURA and Altar Guild for the church
- Worked as a pediatric nurse at Duke until retiring in '07
- Loves to read, garden, needlework, swim, and spending time with grandsons



Mildred Barnes: Fundraising Chairperson

- Started Volunteering in 1987
- Volunteered in Snack bar, Served as President and VP on board twice
- Volunteered in Gift Shops and has assisted on many buying trips for gift shops
- Currently serves as Fundraiser Chairman
- Volunteers in Stock Room on "O" Level
- Have 2 wonderful daughters and 2 outstanding grandsons
- Hobbies include playing bridge once a week, reading, shopping, and travel



Ruth Medley (pictured on right): Social Chairperson

- Began her volunteer efforts in Eye Center with coffee cart in 1993
- Currently volunteers with fundraisers since 2005
- Serves on the board as Social Committee chair in 2007
- Worked 10 years for the state after raising 4 children
- Has 4 grandchildren and loves to read and travel



Edith Rosenblatt: Vice President

- Duke career began with an Internship in 3 year Medical Secretary program in 1966
- Moved to Assistant to Administrator in ED, and helped with the original ED move then transitioned to Pediatrics as Assistant to the Hospital Administrator for the inpatient units
- Was first Unit Coordinator for Pediatrics and was very involved in the opening and move to Duke North Hospital and the creation and opening of the Durham Ronald McDonald House in 1980.
- As an Administrative Manager in Pediatrics for the Hospital, worked closely with the Department of Pediatrics, Child Life, Children's Development, Admissions Office, Camp Kaleidoscope, and continued on the Board of the RMH of Durham.
- As Volunteer Coordinator for Children's, continued working closely with Children's Administration, Child Life, the Department of Pediatrics, Camp K, and active as a BOT member and officer of the RMH of Durham
- My hobbies include cooking classes, reading, travel (but not enough lately), and my volunteer time with the RMH of Durham.



Dee Blake : At Large

- BA in Journalism, University of Hawaii, Manoa Campus.
- Western Region Director of Development, NC Masonic Foundation, 2017-present.
- Director of Development, Duke HomeCare & Hospice, 2008-2019.
- 35 years of experience in non-profit management and fundraising for organizations such as Duke Health, Triangle United Way, Easter Seals NC, National MS Society (Richmond, VA, and Memphis, TN), YWCA of Wake County and UNC-CH.
- Past-president of the local 230-member Triangle Chapter of the National Association of Fundraising Professionals and a past-chairperson of the Safe Haven for Cats Board of Directors in Raleigh, NC.
- Member of the Greensboro Women's Professional Forum, 2018-present.
- Currently resides in Greensboro, NC, where she volunteers with local charities.



Sylvie Daigle (pictured on left): Chairperson of Publicity

- Lived in Canada and United States
- Speaks French
- Graduated from McGill University in 1987 with a BCom in Marketing and Entrepreneurship
- Worked for Nestle Canada for 12 years in Marketing, Sales and Training
- Started volunteering for the school PTSA as treasurer in 2000 and with Duke Auxiliary for the KNH and Gift Shop in 2014
- Has two wonderful kids in college
- Enjoys playing tennis, exercising, reading and traveling



Linda Simpson: President

- Retired from Duke Hospital 2003 as business manager after working 40 years
- Started volunteering with DHA October 2003 in South Gift Shop, also at Duke North and Bouncing Ball Gift Shops as needed
- Started volunteering with Duke Hospital Auxiliary fundraising in 2004 until it was eliminated
- Currently volunteering in Duke South Gift Shop
- Been on the DHA board since 2004 serving in each office; currently president of the re-organized Duke Hospital Auxiliary
- Enjoy talking about the Duke Hospital Auxiliary and it's mission
- Has volunteered for the following organizations: Duke Children's Classic sponsored box seats and nonfood concessions for 19 years; Board and president of Duke University Retiree Association; Board for Chimney Ridge Place for 4 years; volunteered with Duke University Retiree Organization, Duke Hospice,

Hillandale Sports Association; secretary of Branches Board at time share on Sugar Mountain, N.C., Member of PEO International since 2007

- Enjoy family, friends, bridge, cribbage, other board and card games, and love to travel
- Have one son and one granddaughter



Mary Tyrey (pictured on right): Project Chairperson

- Began volunteering in the ED in 2007, started training new volunteers in 2009 as well as joining the board as an at large member & currently appointed project chairperson
- After working as a home health RN in rural NC, prior to completing a degree from Meredith College, she began a 16 year career as a clinical research nurse at Duke, retiring in 2004
- Hobbies include gardening, reading historical novels, drawing and traveling with husband
- Following retirement, I completed a certificate program in Botanical Illustration at the North Carolina Botanical Garden, began volunteering with Durham Master Gardeners, Durham Public Schools and the Duke Auxiliary
- Originally from Chicago and central Illinois, moving to Durham in 12/1968
- Have three grown married children and seven grandchildren



Scott Mofield: Treasurer

- Scott Mofield has worked in Duke Pediatrics since April 2008.
- He began as Assistant Director with the Duke Pediatric Blood and Marrow Transplant (PBMT) Family Support Program and moved into the role of Director in December 2011.
- In March of 2016, Scott became Operations Manager for 4 divisions in Pediatrics- PBMT, Hematology/Oncology, Endocrinology, and Infectious Diseases. The focus of his work is on the finances and operations of those 4 divisions.
- Prior to working in Pediatrics, he worked at Duke University with the undergraduate Career Center and the Office of the President.
- Scott received his BA from Baylor University and his Masters of Divinity from Duke Divinity School.
- Happily Married and has 5 sons



Joy Parton (pictured on left): Secretary

- Joy previously owned Piedmont Wireless Company for 5 + years
- Joined the Auxiliary Team as Volunteer Coordinator in 2006 where she manages hundreds of volunteers for several hospital programs
- Has served on numerous boards and is a member of the Sappony Tribe
- Volunteers with family at church functions and throughout the Durham community
- Loves to spend time with family, go to church, shop, plan events, eat and Zumba
- Married high school sweetheart and has 1 absolutely fantastic son



Karen Morgan: Historian

- Eastman Kodak 28 years sales and marketing
- Ronald McDonald House of Durham from 2005 until retirement in January 2016 volunteer coordinator and family room manager
- Civic affiliations Triangle Luncheon Civitan and Stem Ruitan Club
- My career at RHM allowed me the pleasure of working with many individual volunteers, corporate groups, special event volunteers and other non-profits



Bill Taub: At Large

- Received B.A. in Romance Languages from Rutgers University; attended the Master of Arts in Teaching Program at the University of Chicago; Received Masters of Social Work degree from UNC-CH.
- Worked in community mental health from 1974-1981 in the Asheville area and then in Raleigh.
- In 1981, joined the Pediatric Social Work Department at Duke and the rest is history.
- From 1981 until retirement, worked with both children and adults in Duke's CF Center and as a counselor, assistant director, and then director of the Camp Kaleidoscope Program.
- Served as the clinical social worker with the Pediatric Residency Program for the last 5 of 10 years of tenure at Duke, teaching communication skills, providing psychosocial education, and giving counseling to the Pediatric and Med-Peds Residents.



Chuck Hemric: At Large

- 1983 began career in the Duke University Botany Department before transferring to Sarah P.
 Duke Gardens where he developed and implemented a successful volunteer program. Recently celebrated 35 years of service at Duke University
- Has chaired local, statewide and national committees serving the non-profit sector
- Provides non-profit management training on a national level
- Serves as Deacon and leads other missions within his church
- Joined the Duke Hospital Auxiliary Board in 2018
- Actively volunteers at the Ronald McDonald House of Durham
- Father of Andy and Faith and husband to Heather

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